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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of)
VIKTOR BROST et al.) HEADER-LESS VEHICLE RADIATOR
Serial No.: 09/837,072) Group Art Unit: 3743
Filed: April 18, 2001) Examiner: Tho V. Duong

REPLY TO EXAMINER'S ANSWER

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Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's answer dated October 23, 2006, Appellants make the following reply.

In responding to Appellants' argument that the Examiner is improperly asserting that the flanges (50,52) are end walls, the Examiner argues that Appellant's are attempting to read limitations from the specification into the claims. However, contrary to this assertion, Appellants are simply interpreting the plain meaning of the term "end walls" in light of the

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